

De-Licensing of Sugar Industry

707. SHRI MAHESH KUMAR M. KANODIA :
SHRI KASHI RAM RANA :

Will the Minister of FOOD be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Government propose to abolish licence system for the sugar industry;

(b) if so, the decision taken by the Government in his regard; and

(c) the merits of delicensing sugar industry both for the farmers and Public Exchequer?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) :
(a) to (c). The matter of delicensing of sugar industry is under consideration of Government.

Community Forest Management

708. SHRI PINAKI MISRA : Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state :

(a) whether the concept of Community Forest Management in protected areas as projected by a Dehradun based NGO has evoked the interest of World Bank;

(b) if so, the details of this concept; and

(c) the steps being taken to popularise it and put it into practice for providing Community Forest Management in different parts of the country with or without the aid of World Bank?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (CAPT. JAI NARAYAN PRASAD NISHAD) : (a) On the advice of the World Bank, the Rural Litigation and Entitlement Kendra (RLEK), Dehra Dun has sent the report prepared by them on the subject to this Ministry for consideration.

(b) and (c). The concept largely combines the approaches being followed under the Joint Forest Management (JFM) and Eco-development initiatives which are already under Implementation in various forest areas and wildlife protected areas respectively. However, the implementation of the suggested strategy in protected areas can only be done within the framework of the legal provisions under the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972.

Welfare Schemes in Orissa

709. SHRI SOUMYA RANJAN : Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state :

(a) the details of the welfare schemes being implemented by the Union of India in backward areas of Orissa for upliftment of the Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes;

(b) since when these schemes have been started;

(c) whether the Union Government are monitoring the progress of these schemes; and

(d) if so, give the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI BALWANT SINGH RAMOOWALIA) : (a) and (b). The welfare schemes being implemented for the upliftment of Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes in the State of Orissa including its backward areas alongwith the time since when these are being implemented are given in Statement enclosed.

There are no separate schemes being implemented specifically in the backward areas of Orissa for the upliftment of SC/ST.

(c) and (d). The schemes are being reviewed periodically and before and of each plan period. The schemes are further reviewed in the periodical meetings with the State Government implementing agencies and target groups and steps are taken to modify the scheme per the recommendations agreed upon during the meetings.

STATEMENT

S.No.	Name of the Scheme	The time by which these schemes is being implemented
1	2	3
1.	SCA to SCP	1980
2.	Assistance to Scheduled Castes Development Corporation	1978-79
3.	National Sch. Caste & Sch. Tribes Finance & Development Corporation	1989-90
4.	Liberation and Rehabilitation of Scavengers & their dependents	1991-92
5.	Post-Matric Scholarships for SC/ST students	1944-45
6.	Pre-Matric Scholarships for the children whose parents are engaged in unclean occupations	1977-78
7.	Books Banks for SC/ST students	1978-79
8.	Girls Hostels for SCs	1961-92
9.	Boys Hostels for SCs.	1989-90
10.	Coaching & allied Scheme	1961-62
11.	Upgradation of Merit of SC/ST students	1987-88
12.	Implementation of PCR Atrocities Act.	1980-81
13.	Aid to Voluntary Organisations For SCs	1979-80
14.	Research & Training for SCs	1950-51

Inventory Holding in Super Bazar

710. SHRI JANG BAHADUR SINGH PATEL : Will the Minister of CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION be pleased to state :

(a) whether the inventory holding of the Super Bazar including its Textiles Department is much higher than its sales;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the details of sales and inventory holdings in the last 12 months, month-wise and department-wise; and

(d) the steps being taken or proposed to be taken to bring down the inventory holdings to 15 days requirement and close down the non-viable departments?

THE MINISTER OF FOOD AND MINISTER OF CIVIL SUPPLIES, CONSUMER AFFAIRS AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV) : (a), (b) and (d). According to the information furnished by the Super Bazar, Delhi they are constantly monitoring the inventory holding in their textile Deptt. The inventory holding in this Deptt. has been brought down to Rs.50.84 lakhs in September, 1996 from Rs.64.84 lakhs in October, 1995.

(c) Statements-I and II giving the details of inventory holding in the various departments of the Super Bazar for the period October, 1995 to September, 1996, are enclosed.

STATEMENT-I

S No.	Department	April 96		May, 96		June, 96		July, 96		August, 96		Sept 96	
		Sale	Invnt.	Sale	Invnt.	Sale	Invnt.	Sale	Invnt.	Sale	Invnt.	Sale	Invnt.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14
1.	Grocery/ Toiletry	625.18	697.45	648.84	724.84	663.36	716.81	681.61	738.09	732.65	638.46	711.65	581.26
2.	Textiles	6.57	49.96	18.33	45.16	13.65	49.09	13.87	47.76	9.77	49.86	7.78	50.84
3.	Household	31.00	55.67	54.93	61.02	45.06	62.01	37.48	51.05	29.50	48.72	29.03	54.80
4.	Watches	4.85	8.20	3.31	7.60	1.31	6.94	1.64	7.89	1.66	7.62	1.75	5.93
5.	Handloom	11.14	18.54	14.22	19.34	13.69	24.10	16.02	21.38	13.74	17.36	15.30	27.47
6.	Books/ Stationery	63.30	71.47	64.21	70.72	47.86	67.44	86.08	58.31	81.00	67.06	72.09	52.70
7.	Office Automation	27.83	71.89	46.11	79.26	80.23	14.78	74.38	9.60	39.24	5.57	59.83	5.59
8.	Sports & Toys	1.02	4.37	0.99	4.24	0.90	3.15	0.71	3.97	1.17	3.65	0.62	3.05
9.	Footwear	8.92	19.88	13.77	14.23	10.43	14.67	11.63	14.53	11.21	13.38	11.07	11.40
10.	Readymade Garments	2.55	22.25	8.35	17.93	14.44	7.30	62.80*	-39.34	5.31*	-29.77	8.82	12.42